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OBITUARY.

Paul Chaix.

Prof. Paul Chaix, a Corresponding Member of this Society for more than forty-seven years, died at his home in Geneva, Switzerland, on the 28th of March, without suffering and in full possession of his rare intellectual gifts, in the ninety-third year of his age.

Paul Chaix was born Oct. 1, 1808, at Crest, in south-eastern France. In 1816 his father removed with his family to Geneva, and there his son received his equally solid and brilliant education.

He adopted the profession of teaching; lived for three years in the family of the Duke of Richmond, and for two years at St. Petersburg with the Gagarine family, and afterwards, at his home in Geneva, directed the education of several princes: Alexander of Prussia, Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, Lippe-Detmold, Saxe-Altenburg, Mecklemburg-Schwerin, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Princesses Leuchtenberg, and Prince Anhalt.

Prof. Chaix had travelled in many parts of Europe and in Egypt.

He was Instructor in Geography and History at the Industrial College, Professor in the Gymnasium and Honorary Professor of the University of Geneva. All these positions he resigned in 1882, in view of advancing years.

His principal publications are: a Map of Savoy, an Elementary Geography and Atlas, Letters from the Banks of the Nile, a History of South America and the Hydrography of the Arve.

He was a constant contributor to geographical and other reviews, and all his writings bore the stamp of a lucid intelligence, carrying with perfect ease the acquisitions of wide and profound scholarship.